

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 9033

October 27, 2021

SUMMARY OF BILL: Exempts from the definition of “arising from COVID-19” such policies or procedures that require employees to be vaccinated against COVID-19 as a condition of employment or continued employment under the Tennessee COVID-19 Recovery Act, effectively removing the requirement of a person to prove gross negligence or willful misconduct by a defendant in order to prevail in a claim for damages caused by such requirement.

Creates a right of action by a person who suffers injury as a result of a COVID-19 vaccination submitted to as a condition of employment or continued employment. Authorizes the court to award the person damages for the injury, including, but not limited to, medical expenses, lost wages, and reasonable attorney’s fees.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumption:

- The courts will not experience a significant increase in caseloads; therefore, any impact to the court system is estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Krista Lee Carsner".

Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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